IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Specification as follows.

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] Figure 3 illustrates a VLAN table that is implemented according to the present invention; and

Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following amended paragraph:

[0013] Figure 4 illustrates the steps implemented in the present invention-; and

Please insert the following new paragraph after paragraph [0013] on page 6 of the specification:

[0014] Figure 5 illustrates an apparatus for forwarding an incoming frame in a network switch according to the present invention.